Two members of the Chicago Stock Exchange went to a restaurant for luncheon, and after a basty glance at the bill of fare each amnounced what he wanted.

"I'm for a fried bass," said one, "Dirto," said the liber. "Whiteess,

two fried bass, please," In a few minutes the two base on a platter and two plates were placed on the table. One bass was larger than calmly passed the smaller bass to his

"Now I call that a downright mean trick?" said the man who received the smaller bass.

"What is a mean trick?"

and keep the big one for yourself." "What would you have done if you had been serving the fish?"

"I should certainly have given you

"Well, In that case I should have lind more do you want?'

The argument did not seem convincing, but at the moment the other man was unable to find a satisfactory answer to it. - Chiengo Chronicle.

One of the coins of the Chinese Emperor Kanglil is very much a much after by the Chinese, who use it in make ing rings for the finger. It is slightly different from the ather each basned under the same curperor in the form of transcript in Chinese characters of the Sansarit word Arima, "venerable," the torme applied to the eighteen attendants of Buddha, who are frequenttendants of Bundha, who are frequently seen ranged along the two sides of Forest Inquire of Geo Moody. 1912 the principal halls in Buddhist tem-

The tradition is that while the emperor was intimately associated with European missionaries he became imbued with a feeling of contempt for Buddhism and illustrated this phase of his faith by having a set of eighteen brass Lo-han limages melted down and cast into cash. This brass is said to contain a considerable portion of gold; hence the demand for the cash.

Doctors sometimes give their directions for taking drugs or other treatment in language beyond the comprehension of the patient. Occasionally track, but more often amusing, mistakes occur thereby. Judge tells one of the amusing kind, although it might have been uncomfortable at least.

A small colored girl went to a drug store and said to the clerk, "Ma manimy wants some of de handsomest dye Fe got."
"The handsomest?" repeated the

clerk, "Well, I don't know, What does she want it for?"

"She done got de misery in her stummick, and de doctor say she must dye it, and she say if she hab got ter dye It she want it a handsome color."

When we read the life stories of men and women, we ourselves participate to some extent in their own experi ences. Insensibly we place ourselves in the situations in which they found themselves, and the problems which confronted them seek their solution in our own brains. Their difficulties, their stumblings, their triumphs, become personal lessons by which we may get a wider experience of life than comes to us in our ordinary avocations, so that when the time comes when we are called upon for some momentous decision or to pursue some special line of conduct we have a precedent to guide us to the right course .-Scottish-American.

### How a Spaniard Smokes.

The Spaniards are the most expert smokers in the world. A Spaniard, according to an observer who has traveled through Spain and South America. takes a heavy pull at his cigarette, inbales it, takes up a wine skin or wine bottle, pours a half pint down his throat, holding the vessel a foot from his mouth and not spilling a drop, and then with a sigh of satisfaction closes his eyes and exhales the smoke from his nose and mouth in clouds. He will also inhale the smoke, converse for a few minutes in a natural manner and then blow out the smoke.

Doing as He Was Told. "What on earth," said a gentleman to his son, "are you doing up there, Johnny, sitting on the horse's back, when

you ought to be at school?" "Tencher said I was to write a composition on a horse," said the boy, "and I'm trying to, but it's awful dif'cult, 'cos be will keep moving so. I s'pose that's why teacher gave it to us to do, ain't it?"

### One Wife's Cautious Claim.

"Is your wife one of those women who look at their husbands and say, 'I made a man of him?" asked the impertinent friend.

"No," answered Mr. Meekton. "Henriettta is very unassuming. She merely says she has done her best,"-Washington Star.

### Too Much For Papa. "Papa, do you know how to reach a

conclusion?" "Certainly. Do you?"

"Easy. Just take a train." "What are you talking about?" "A train . thought."

"Go to bed."-New York Herald. Not Enough "Move Up There," Manager-I'm afraid that new conductor will not be a success.

Superintendent-Why? Manager-He treats the passengers with too much consideration.-Town and Country.

### GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM.

One fare for the round trip within 200 miles of selling station. Selling dates July 3rd and 4th; returning limit July 7th, For further particulars call on your local agent or write to Geo, W. Vaux, A.G.P. & T.A , Chicago, Ill.

EXCURSIONS TO PORTLAND, ME., VIA GRAND TRUNK R'Y SYSTEM.

One fare for the Round Trip; selling dates July 2th to 9th inclusive; limit the other, and the danneler before July 17th. By depositing ticket and whom the platter had been placed paying 50 ets, extra; limit extended until August löth. For further information call on your Local Agent or write to Geo. W. Vanx, A. G. P. and T. A., Chicago, Ill.

### The Summer Sesson

"Why, to give me the smaller bass is full of dangers particularly for the children, who not knowing the result of cating unril e fruit, indulge themselves, with the usual griping pains in the stomach as a consequence: mothers should have on hand at all time a bottle of Painkiller (Perry Davis) which will at once relieve the sufferer; it is a safe, the larger one. I've got it now. What simple remedy and it should be kept in every home. Large bottles 25 and 500

We wish to thank the kind friends and neighbors for their many kindnesses through sickness, and the beautiful tiowers, also many thanks to the choir. MRS. EMMA BEESON

AND CHILDREN.

FOR SALE, RENT EXCHANGE, ETC Notices under this head will be marged for at the rate of five tents, per line. No charge less than 15 cents.

PUBLIENT - Good plans for rent. Inquire

FOR BENT.-Good house and lot in Alma Inquire of J. L. Miller, Ithaea, Mich. 1213-11

FOR RENT.—House known as the Wm. How property. For further information inquisat this office. 1815 28 A.J. O BOYLE.

TAKEN UP.—Came into my enclosure Saturday, June 21 one pig about six months old Owner can have same by proving property and paying charges, including this notice.

H. B. Sthouse.

D<sup>10</sup> GERARD MULLER, specialist from Grand Hapids, will care cancer and tumers without knifer epitepta and every chrome disease. Office Hotel Edward: from 8 m. no 1.

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ALMA, MICH., June 3, 1902. Regular meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Alma in council rooms on Present-President Bahike, Trustees Delavan, Montigel, Fishbeck Struble and Sanderhoff Absent—Trustee Hayt. Minutes of last meeting read and on motion 

On motion all other claims presented by the cierk were referred to the committee on claims. On motion the ordinarce granting fratchistor an electric road was referred to the committee on streets.

Moved by Trustee Delayan, supported by Trustee Strable, that the village of Alma accept the proposition submitted by W. J. Haynes & Sons, Bankers, of Cleveland, O., for purchase of village public improvement bonds 1902 series, amounting to \$12,000 at 5 per cent, due respectfully in denominations of \$2,000 each, 3. 4, 5, 5, 7, and 8 years from July 1, 1905, at the sum of \$12,450 and accrued interest at date of delivery, and they are hereby authorized and suppowered and directed to cause the said series of bonds to be issued upon blanks heretofore authorized to be secured therefor and delivery main there of to said firm upon the payment of said sum of \$12,450 and the accrued interest at date of de livery, and that thereupon the said series of bonds be said the same are hereby declared the obligation of the said village.

Hang & schuerman, architects was referred to a committee of three to be reported on at the adjourned meeting to be held Wednesday eve-ning, Jane 4th.

ning, Jane 4th.

Committee appointed by chair—Trustees Delayan, Struble and Fishbeck.

Moved by Trustee Delayan and supported by Trustee Montigel that the assessment roll for the year 1802 be acted upon by the council without its having been referred to the committee on ways and means.

Motion carried by the following vote:
Yeas Trustees Delayan, Montigel, Fishbeck, Sandeth of and Struble
Nays—None.

On motion the matter of amount of tax to be raised was laid on the table until the adjourned meetins.

meeting.
On motion the clerk was instructed to draw an order of \$13 in favor of the Alma fire department to defray the expenses of its delegates to the Bremen's annual convention to be held at

Mored and supported that the owners of the Church back be ordered to fix the covering to windows on sidewalk lines and that J. H. and sarah Laccashire be ordered to repair wark on east side of State street adjacend to the Wright

cast size of State street adjacent to the Wight block.

Motion carried.

Moved and supported that the clerk determine the amount of indebtedeess of the water ind to the village of Aima and that the president and clerk be authorized to make a loan to the amount payable beh is, 1963.

Motion carried by the following vote:

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Nays—None.
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W. W. KINCH.

Freedent.

Alters, Mich. Inner i, 1902.
Adjourned regular meeting of the common council of the voltage of Albaria council recommends an stary date.

Present President Banble. Trustees Delegan, Monney. Fishlyces old strable.
Absent, same that and Hay.
On motion these frompanys was granted permission to tap the sewer at a boint mear his property of superior street under the supervision of the committee on several and drains. On mornor the village massion was instructed to present the pasturing of stock in the Streets. Moteriand supported that we approve of the changes made in the plans and that the clerk he and hereby is instructed to express and paneto Haur & Schenman and request them to complete their work with the least possible delay.

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On notion the clerk was instructed to advertice for good building stone at \$100 per cotd.

On no ion content adjourned to need Tuesday.

Adjourned regular meeting of the common pubert of the village of Almani coulded room

on above date.

Present, President Raplice, Trustees Delayan, Fisherts, Sandernoff and Struble.

About, Trustees Montiger and Hayl.

Trustee Delayan presents the following resolution and mouses to adoption.

Motion seconded by Trustee Struble.

His situal, by the village of Alma that we raise by giverni taxation in the village of Alma for the present year of 185 the following some of money to be lovied and sprant upon the assessment roll of Said village for said year, as corrected, reviewed and upproved by the Board of Review of said village, rist
For general fund tax.

\$12.485

Yes and may vote taken with the following result:
Y as-Trustees Delavan, Fishbeek, Sandernoff and Struble.
Nays-None.
Trustees Montigel and Hapt absent.
Motion declared carried and resolution
adopted.
On motion Council adjourned.
W. A. BARLEKS.
President.
WM. W KINCH.
Clerk.

Aima, Mich., June 17, 1802 Begular meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Aima in council rooms on above

Absent: Trustees Hayland Sanderhoff.

Minutes of last regular meeting read and on motion approved.
On motion the cierk was instructed to order to be sometime and the cierk instructed to draw orders for same.

Description of Peer Pees, advertising . \$ 1.01

A B L & P Co, pumping . 125.50

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V M Wilson, assessor 10
W A Thomas, cemetery work 3
Isaac Russell, highway work 3
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On motion the bill of A. W. Brock was referred
to Supt. Clubb. The Ann Arbor R. R. bill to the
street committee and bills of J. W. Dean to the

committee on claims.

On motion the following claims for rebate for the construction of coment walks were allowed at footing and the clerk instructed to draw ord-

On motion the corrected bill of W A Babile for relate on cement walk was allowed at footing, amount \$33.44.

On motion bills of Mr. Clubb and street committee on salaries.
On motion the following labor bills were allowed at footing and the cierk instructed to draw orders:
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Sanderboff and Strable.

Nays—none.

Trustee Hayt absent.

Motion declared carried.

On motion the clerk was instructed to write to firms bidding on said series of bonds sayising them of the council's action and thanking them for their having submitted bids.

On motion the pencit drawings received from

Vermeulen's Dept. Store, ALMA, MICHIGAN.

# Our Big Sale Continues until July 3rd



Our stores are crowded. Our bargains are bargains. Our goods are all new. Our prices are right. Our selections are large. Our buyers are up=to=date. Our store is light and airy. Our clerks are obliging.

Don't forget that this sale closes Chursday, July 3rd.

Vermeulen's Dept. Store, Alma, Michigan.

on motion the petition for the hydrant in the walls of swall north east section of the stillage was referred to the committee on fire department.

On motion the petition to open the alley on say of ne wall block 54 was referred to the committee on swall of ne walls.

NOTICE OF DRAIN LETTING AND RB-VIEW:-Notice is hereby given that I, Par-ker Merrill, County Drain Commissioner of the County of Grathot, State of Michigan, will, on the

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on motion the clerk was instructed to answer correspondence relative to sale of engine and boiler advising them that they would be fully informed as to price after the next session of council, the matter having been referred to a committee for appraisal.

On motion Trustee Montigel and Struble were appointed a committee to appraise the boiler and engine belonging to the village, report to be made at next session of council.

On motion council adjourned to meet Monday evening next.

W. A. Bahler.

W. W. Kings.

President.

NOTICE OF DRAIN LETTING AND RB-VIEW:—Notice is hereby given that I. Parker Merrill, County Drain Commissioner of the County of Gratiot, to which reference may be had by all parties interested, and bids will be made with the lowest responsible bidder giving adequate security for the performance of the work, in a sum to be fixed then and there by me, reserving to myself the right to reject any and all bids. The date for the completion of such contract and the terms of payment therefor shall be announced at the time and place of letting.

Notice of Drain Letting and RBtownship of Eiba Gratiot County Michigan, will, or
township of Eiba Gratiot County Michigan, at nine o'clock in the forenoon of that day, proceed to receive bids for the construction of a certain drain known and designated as Blues Drain, located in the township of Eiba, in said county of Gratiot, and described as follows, to will.

Minutes of survey and specifications for cleaning out despening, widening and extending and also for locating and establishing as branch thereto, to a certain drain commonly known as the Heinze Drain located in Eiba lownship, County of Gratiot, State of Michigan

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PROBATE NOTE E:—State of Michigan, County of Gratiot, Probate Court for said Note County, ss.—Notice is hereby given, That by an order of the Probate Court for the County of Gratiot, made on the Sist day of May, A. D., ochs 1980, six months from that date were allowed for 230 to chs
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NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

STATE OF MICHIGAN. CO. OF GRATIOT, In the matter of the estate of Samuel H. Love-land deceased notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order granted to the under-signed, administrator of the estate of said Samuel h. Loveland, deceased by the Honorable
Judge of Probate for the county of Gratiot, no
the loth day of June, A. D. 1992, there will be
sold at public vendue, to the highest bidder, at
the premises of the village of Alma, in the Co.
of Gratiot, in said state on.

Judge of Probate.

Wednesday, July 30, 1902,

at one o'clock in the afternoon of that day subject to all oncumbrances by mortgage or otherwise existing at the time of the death of said deceased or at the time of sale, and also subject to the right of dower and the homestead rights of the widow of said deceased therein) the following described real estate, to wit:

Lot ten (lo) block six (6) Case's addition to the vidage of Aims, Gratiet county, state of Michigan, according to the recorded plot of said vidage.

Terms of sale made known at time of sale,
JUDSON BARRETT,
Administrator of the estate of
Samuel H. Loveland, deceased.
Dated Ithaca, June 10, 1892.

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## Real Estate

Aldrich & Smith ST. LOUIS, MICH. offers the following choice

bargains for the next 30 101 acres in Pine River township, 85 acres cleared, good house and other

buildings, 10 acres choice timber, good orchard, good beet soil, five and one half miles to Alma, price \$45 per acre. 40 acres five miles from Alma in Pine

River township, 35 acres cleared log house and frame barn, splendid sugar beet land, price \$35 per acre. 80 acres four miles to Wheeler village, 60 acres cleared, to acres timber, ordinary buildings, all good beet land, price \$2500, \$1000 cash, bal-

ance on time 80 acres six and three-quarters miles to St. Louis, small frame house and barn, 40 acres cleared, fair soil,

Several bargains in city property in St. Louis. Good improved lands from eight to twelve miles of St. Louis, at \$12 per acre, small payment down balance on easy terms. Call cr write,

Dated this first day of June. A. B., 1900
PARKER MERGILL,
County Drain Commissioner of the County of Gratiot.

G. S. ALDRICH. & SMITH.
St. Louis, Mich.
P. S. SMITH